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AGRICULTURAL LIBRARIES INFORMATION NOTES

WINROCK INTERNATIONAL LIVESTOCK RESEARCH AND TRAINING CENTER

Winrock International Livestock Research and Training Center (WILC) is a public, non-profit foundation. Its broad mission is the improvement of human nutrition and the quality of human life through support of research and training programs for the advancement of animal agriculture.

The Center is supported in part from the estate of the late Winthrop Rockefeller and by contributions and grants. Winrock Center actively solicits program and financial support and participation from public and private sources. Headquarters of the institution, which was established in 1975, are located on Petit Jean Mountain near Morrilton, Arkansas.

The Winrock program is really a development program -- with a worldwide perspective -- which endeavors to improve the standards of living for small-scale livestock producers. The mission covers two general program areas: *research* and *training*.

Research -- A multidisciplinary team of animal, plant and social scientists, working together, analyze problem areas, identify weaknesses and synthesize solutions. Target groups are livestock producers with limited resources. Research analysis and planning contribute essential elements to the final WILC development projects.

A current project is titled "The Role of Ruminants in the Support of Man." The potential of ruminants (cattle, sheep, goats) in serving mankind is neither fully appreciated nor adequately exploited. This project is expected to fill some of the knowledge gaps in ruminant agriculture and point the way for more efficient production techniques, particularly in developing countries.

Training -- The Center emphasizes applied management programs that have the greatest direct impact on livestock production in a specific target area. Much of the technology exists to dramatically improve food production from livestock. But qualified people to implement the production programs are scarce. Therefore Winrock's training and development activity is really a "people program." Among the world's marginal subsistence farmers, the greatest need is for the people to help others -- through planning, management assistance and training.

Currently, the distribution of program effort is about 40–50 percent on international programs, 20–25 percent on both American Indian problems and those of small farmers in Arkansas and southeast U.S.; and 10 percent on industry-wide programs such as providing coordinated training for the American sheep industry.

In carrying out its research, training and development programs, Winrock International Livestock Center seeks
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to achieve the following objectives:

- o To develop new ways to advance animal agriculture.
- o To serve as a catalyst to induce larger public and private institutions to carry out more development work.
- o To improve communications between the public and private sectors.
- o To assist in upgrading the status of animal agriculture in southeastern U.S. -- an area of great potential for beef cattle production.
- o To improve the public's understanding of the importance of animal agriculture.

The Center is located in Morrilton, Arkansas 72110; phone (501) 727-5435. 📖

AGRICOLA



Ronald J. Walton, Chief
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This article is the second in a series intended to publicize services available from our AGRICOLA tape subscribers. The Iowa State University is one of the primary suppliers of agricultural information in the mid-west. Current awareness and retrospective information retrieval services are provided as a cooperative effort by the Iowa State University Computation Center and Library. Services are available to students, faculty, staff, and off-campus persons as well. Charles R. Sage, lead systems analyst, tells me that currently over 200 users on a weekly basis subscribe to their current awareness reference service (CARES) which has been in operation over the last 11 years. The retrospective retrieval service went into operation in 1975 and currently services approximately 25 searches per month.

The computerized literature retrospective searches cost an average of \$5 to \$10 per year depending on the number of keywords used, the complexity of the search, and the number of citations printed. The computerized current awareness literature searches cost approximately \$4.50 per month for an average profile of 40 terms producing 20 notifications per week. The computerized literature retrospective searches are conducted through the library reference department with payment to the library whereas the computerized current awareness literature searches are handled through the Iowa State University Computation Center. To initiate a retrospective literature search or to learn more about these services and for more information about CARES, contact the Iowa State University Library Reference Department, 294-3642.

NOTE: The NAL bibliographic data bases in machine-readable form table published in the July 1976 AGRICOLA column of ALIN should include the following correction: For Food and Nutrition Information Center (FNIC), the total number of records through calendar year 1975 should be 7,968 instead of 4,968. Accordingly, the total AGRICOLA records through calendar year 1975 at the bottom of the table should read 741,736.

GRADUATE SCHOOL, USDA, PRESS

Two books are in press; both will be available this fall. One, "Agricultural Literature: Proud Heritage --Future Promise," is being published in cooperation with the Associates of the National Agricultural Library, Inc. This book includes all of the papers presented at a bicentennial symposium of the same title held at the National Agricultural Library in September of 1975. The Associates of NAL Inc., and the Graduate School were two of the organizations helping to sponsor this symposium. The editors of the book are Leila Moran and Alan Fusonie of the National Agricultural Library.

The other new book, "Federal Personnel Procedures Reference Manual," was compiled by Byrd Walker who teaches "Federal Personnel Procedures" for the Independent Study Programs. This manual will be used for evening and correspondence courses.

Both books will be available through the Graduate School Bookstore, USAA, South Building, 14th and Independence Ave., S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250

AGRICOLA ON-LINE COURSE JANUARY 10 - 14, 1977

The National Agricultural Library is sponsoring a five-day workshop to train librarians and information specialists in the utilization of its AGRICOLA bibliographic data base in an on-line mode. Charles L. Gilreath, who compiled the *CAIN On-Line Users Manual*, will teach the course with the aid of terminal instructors.

The course will be held January 10-14, 1977 at the University of California Library, Davis. Registrants will be responsible for their lodging, meals and transportation, but all equipment, manuals and instructions will be provided by the National Agricultural Library in cooperation with the Davis Library. Persons wishing to attend should submit their names on letterhead stationery by December 10 to:

Automated Retrieval Services
National Agricultural Library
Beltsville, Maryland 20705.

Emergency telephone reservations may be made by calling (301) 344-3834.

Twenty persons will be accepted in the course with preference given to government, land-grant or agriculturally related organizations in the West. The course is introductory to the use of AGRICOLA; no prior terminal experience is required. The course will provide extensive lecture, exercise, and terminal experience on both the available commercial systems offering AGRICOLA.

**NEW SERIALS
RECEIVED AT NAL**



Obstbau. Vechta, Vechtaer Druckerei und Verlag.
v. 1, no. 3, March 1976.

REGIONAL DOCUMENT DELIVERY REPORT January - June 1976

Wallace C. Olsen
Deputy Director for Library Services, NAL

This brief report brings up to date the numbers and costs on the regional document delivery system. The accompanying statistical summary gives data for January - June 1976 with a comparison to calendar year 1975. The figures for the North Central Region include data for December 1975 when service began. Both the North Central Region and the Mountain Region, which began operations January 1, are off to fast starts.

These facts should be noted:

- o Document requests continue to increase in the long-established regions at approximately the same rate as during 1975, nearly 40%, although this probably will not hold for the entire year.
- o The percentage of items completed went up largely as a result of an excellent performance in the North Central Region, and a 3.1% increase in the Southern Tier which continues to handle the largest number of transactions.
- o Efforts to reduce the quantity of items requiring verification have been successful, with the Southern Tier largely responsible for the improvement. A yearly lower rate is anticipated for the two newer regions after a longer experience factor.
- o Cost per transaction received is down nearly 30 cents from the 1975 figure. Again, the Southern Tier has been most significant in this regard. Costs here are not absolutely correct, so there may be a revision up or down by region and nationally when the more complete annual report is done.

The National Agricultural Library is impressed with the very good service being rendered by the land-grant university libraries. We are appreciative of this dedication of effort on behalf of the people in a state or region, and for the USDA.

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SUMMARY DATA FOR JANUARY – JUNE 1976, AND A COMPARISON TO CALENDAR 1975

	<u>Mountain Region</u>	<u>North Central Region</u>	<u>Southern Region</u>	<u>South- Western Region</u>	<u>Western Region</u>	<u>Total Regional Service Jan.-June 1976</u>	<u>1975 Service</u>
Requests Received	1,183	4,020	8,631	6,858	3,772	24,464	26,845
Requests Completed	823	3,488	6,422	4,563	2,699	17,995	
Completed in the Region	74.4%	86.8%	74.4%	66.5%	71.6%	73.6%	72.4%
Change from 1975 % Completed			+3.1%	-4.8%	-5.5%	+1.4%	
Requests Searched and/or Verified	17.9%	11.1%	1.5%	12.5%	7.1%	8.7%	12.3%
Cost Per Transaction Per Request Received	\$2.77	\$3.07	\$2.13	\$1.82	\$2.60	\$2.24	\$2.67
Per Request Completed	\$4.26	\$3.53	\$2.87	\$2.74	\$3.63	\$3.05	\$3.69
Average Monthly Cost	\$584	\$1,760	\$3,066	\$2,081	\$1,635	\$9,143	\$5,979
Six Months	\$3,507	\$10,590	\$18,400	\$12,480	\$9,809	\$54,857	



FARMFEST 76

Leila Moran
Information Officer, NAL

To viewers of "Little House on the Prairie:" yes, there is a Mankato and Walnut Creek. There are also dust storms, mud, and a village named Good Thunder. At the urging of Dale Carrison, Associate Librarian at Mankato State University, we at NAL agreed to participate with Mankato State University and Traverse des Sioux in the educational exhibit at Farmfest 76, September 13-18.

Farmfest was a bicentennial event, held at Lake Crystal, Minnesota, 100 miles south of Minneapolis. Over 1,400 acres of farmland had been converted into a site for a mammoth agricultural exhibition. Rumor said that there was not a motel room available between Mankato and Ames, Iowa; visitors and exhibitors commuted from Minneapolis.

Gale force winds were blowing dust in swirling black clouds when I arrived at the site on Sunday afternoon, September 12. As Dale Carrison and John Christenson (of Traverse des Sioux) struggled with flapping tent walls and wobbling exhibit structures, light-hearted remarks flew around about a little nice rain to dampen down the dirt. Alas, Monday morning dawned grey and overcast. Marilyn Montgomery of Mankato State University Library and Dale Carrison's father picked me up at 7:20 a.m. By the time we arrived at the Farmfest site, lighting was streaking groundward. We parked in a converted alfalfa field and raced the rain across the tractor pull grounds to the gloom of the education tent. The need for lights had not been foreseen in the glare of the previous days of setting up. And then it rained. It rained all day. Soon everyone was wet, muddy, and cold! Shivering, we explained library services to the hardy folk who braved quagmires of mud to see a demonstration of AGRICOLA and hear about library services to farmers and other rural citizens. Marilyn Montgomery operated the terminal until noon time, at which time it finally went down.

And by noon time, the deluge had turned the site into an ankle deep muddy mess forcing officials to

close Farmfest for the day. At 2 p.m., we packed up the terminal and trudged back to our automobile. Covered with mud (I lost my shoes at least twice) we found the car, but were unable to move it out of the mud. A tramp to the highway brought us to a farmhouse and a telephone call brought Dale Carrison out from Mankato to pick us up along side of the highway. As we waited, we watched tractors pull those automobiles, lucky enough to make it to a gate, over a railroad embankment to the highway.

The rain quickly cleared away and the remainder of the week was a huge success, albeit sticky underfoot. There were tractor pulls, horseshoe pitching contests, crop demonstrations, machinery exhibits, a forty-team hitch, craft demonstrations, and entertainment — Glenn Campbell, Rosemary Clooney, Rex Allen — as well as political candidates.



NAL exhibit booth at Farmfest 76

As 68,000 visitors poured into Farmfest on Tuesday and 100,000 on Wednesday, that portion visiting the educational tent quickly seized upon the free USDA and NAL publications available as give-aways. These visitors were highly literate, well-informed, and appreciative of the library services available to them. A number were familiar with the National Agricultural Library. The on-line terminal drew considerable interest, once people realized it was not a fancy typewriter. A demonstration literature search provoked questions as to availability of documents. It was a refreshing experience to make contact with the people who must ultimately benefit from the information we have so painstakingly collected, indexed, and stored. It is a challenge to make our resources more widely known and available. Here's to more agricultural exhibitions! 🎯



Having just returned from a visit to our West Coast field libraries and cooperating university libraries I want to share with you some of my impressions. To a midwestern farm boy the San Francisco Bay area is overpowering. To a librarian the bibliographical resources in the libraries there are equally overpowering.

My tour started at the UC-Davis campus, where I sat in with Dick Blanchard and his colleagues, who are at work preparing a new edition of his *Guide to Sources for Agricultural and Biological Research*. The new edition is likely to be twice the size of the first; a formidable compilation task, but extremely important to our business. These good people will be contacting and visiting many of you as they move ahead with this project.

While at Davis I had the pleasure of a brief visit with Gail Sullivan, who along with her many other duties, handles the document expediting service to USDA scientists in that region. I commented to her that this is an example of a kind of cooperation that librarians do extremely well. Much of the success of this program at Davis is due to her quality control.

On Friday that luxurious BART took me to El Cerrito Plaza station where I was met by Rena Schonbrun, who showed me some of the activities in the ARS-Western Region Research Laboratory. Rena has worked magic on the Library. Her redecoration job makes it match the sparkle of that California setting. I doubt that we have in the USDA a more inviting library.

A short trip from there brought me to Bruce Yerke's domain. I am always startled to find our Forestry libraries in the heart of down-town complexes, with hardly a tree in sight. Bruce administers a multitude of activities for Forest Service libraries. The library in the central building is packed into limited space, but it hums with useful activity. I had a good conversation with Reference Librarian Vince Aitro. Bruce pointed out to me the activities of Roxie Dial,

who presided with remarkable effectiveness over an interlibrary loan retrieval desk. This Library Technician has at her command the library resources of UC-Berkeley and other libraries in that region. She draws bibliographical information together with dispatch for the benefit of Forest Service scientists. I was sorry to find in her file several items that had not yet come out of NAL. I carried them back here and they have now been cleared.

Bruce assembled a group of Federal and State colleagues for a pleasant luncheon at a restaurant on San Francisco Bay. One of the many items of conversation that intrigued me was a state extension forester's idea that librarians and foresters are comparable in personality and job expectations.

The afternoon was spent visiting the science libraries of UC-Berkeley. We started, of course, with Agriculture where Reference Librarian Tom Alexander gave us a brief tour, as well as some candid comments about the *B of A*. To my question does Berkeley-agriculture duplicate Davis-agriculture I got the quick reply. "No, they compliment each other." I think that it is more likely that Berkeley and Davis combined duplicate NAL. This is as it should be since California agriculture could not flourish as it does without on-site bibliographical resources.

The Forestry, Entomology, Biology, and Agricultural Economics (Giannini) libraries at Berkeley are notable in size and completeness. One cannot help but think of what we owe to the generations of librarians who have assembled these collections. A sad note is that the current generation may not be able to sustain this growth.

My visit concluded with a behind the scenes tour of the Bancroft Library, all of which made me very nostalgic for the academic library scene. This is one of the greatest. Just browsing in its stacks gives one a sense of awe of how well California has preserved the documents of its history, as well as those of the rest of the world.

During the late afternoon I had the pleasure of an extended conversation with Lois Farrell, Agriculture Librarian of UC-Berkeley. She tells me that at California, *agriculture* has had a name change to

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environmental science. Lois does not mince words. We talked of the short-comings of the AGRICOLA (CAIN) data base and its printed version, the *Bibliography of Agriculture*. She voiced the concern of the user in asking, "Why are some of the online citations in AGRICOLA not showing up in the printed *B* of *A*? Further, "Why does NAL continue the practice of not entering citations from journal issues that arrive late at NAL?" I sympathize with her when she faces a scientist who says sadly, "Do you mean that because that issue was late my article will never show up in AGRICOLA or the *B* of *A*?" These and other questions are ones that we must resolve at NAL. We are losing no time in attacking them.

Needless to say I was impressed with the spirit, dedication and enthusiasm of our West Coast colleagues. It was a great pleasure to meet librarians who were literally knocking themselves out to give good service. .

— Richard A. Farley

NEWS NOTES



MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE

"Women in Library Management" will be the focus of an Institute funded by the U.S. Office of Education and co-directed by Drs. Judith Braunagel and John Ellison of the School of Information and Library Studies, State University of New York at Buffalo. Both men and women, in managerial and non-managerial library positions, are encouraged to apply. Participants will develop skills in preparing library management programs for women through involvement in interactive sessions on assertive training, affecting change, leadership and management techniques, information sources, and the image of women in librarianship. Special emphasis will be placed on preparing participants to organize future workshops, conferences, courses, and programs aimed at developing the management potential of women in their own institutions and library communities. Each participant will receive a stipend of \$75.00.

Date: June 6–10, 1977. Request further information from Drs. Judith Braunagel and John Ellison, School of Information and Library Studies, SUNY at Buffalo, 201 Bell Hall, Amherst, New York 14260.

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DR. RICHARD H. FOOTE

After many years of service to entomology as a research leader and administrator, most recently as Chief, Systematic Entomology Laboratory, Insect Identification and Beneficial Insect Introduction Institute, Dr. Richard H. Foote has returned to his research activities on a full-time basis. His new location is with the Diptera Research Group, Systematic Entomology Laboratory, Room 621, West Wing, Natural History Museum, Washington, D.C. 20560, telephone: 202–447-8512. Research assignments include the taxonomy of tephritid, pyrgotid and psilid flies. Dr. Foote will be completing several information-handling projects, including a thesaurus of entomology, and he will be working with colleagues in completing the automation of several catalog projects. He recently served as Guest Editor of the June 1976 issue of *Agricultural Libraries Information Notes*.

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ISSN/STAR DATA BASE

Work has been initiated on entering ISSN's (International Standard Serial Number) into the STAR data base of the National Agricultural Library. ISSN's are assigned to unique journal records by representative centers in various countries. In the U.S., these numbers are assigned by the National Serials Data Project at the Library of Congress. Since journal records have many inherent ambiguities, wasteful confusion often results in the communication of data from them. The ISSN will eliminate many of these ambiguities and facilitate activities relating to the transmission of journal data by uniquely identifying specific journals of interest.

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NAL ADDS TWO ON-LINE CITATION DATA BASES

Access has been gained by NAL to two citation files
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on-line which greatly expands the capability of providing information retrieval services. One is the set of files available through negotiation with the Energy Research and Development Administration by access to the computer files at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory. This group of files has five separate citation data bases which will be of value to the Department of Agriculture and its research efforts. ERDA has included within the past two years, a quantity of citations to energy and agricultural needs and uses. The second file known as SCORPIO was created by the Library of Congress for Congressional needs and has six data bases of value to information and legislative work. They are: a *Major Issues File* with over 150 briefs on public policy issues; *Legislative Information File* for the 93rd and 94th Congresses which cover legislation and its status; the *National Referral Center Resources File* with 10,000 descriptions of organizations offering information assistance; plus two bibliographic files on selected subject.

AUTOMATED RETRIEVAL SERVICES

The reorganization of the National Agricultural Library (NAL) provided for a section to coordinate, extend and manage the information retrieval on-line files for public utilization. This major step will provide a unit to management, the fastest growing public service. The first document announcing the availability of the service to USDA personnel has been published as *Automated Retrieval Service for the National Agricultural Library*. Thirty-five major citation data bases available for on-line or batch services are listed with details on coverage and methods of utilizing this advanced service. This marks a major step for the Department as having ready knowledge and access to on-line citation services. Copies of this document are available from: Library Services, National Agricultural Library, Beltsville, MD 20705.

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CHANGES IN "ACROSS THE FENCE", TELEVISION PROGRAM

Effective within a few weeks, the name of the weekly half hour television program which USDA produces in cooperation with WRC-TV will be changed to "Third Century America".

It will continue to be a vehicle for transmitting information about the work of the USDA to the American public, but with a forward tilt. Emphasis will be given to the future, in research, in development, in services, and in other ways in keeping with the program's identity with America's third century, which began last July 4. Naturally, current information will continue as the Department carries out the obligations given in the enabling legislation of 1862.

"Across the Fence" has been produced each week since the first week of July, 1961, with the exception one week in the early sixties when the production slot conflicted with a rocket launching which NBC was covering live.

Over the years, a long procession of USDA officials, scientists and others has been presented on "Across the Fence" at the rate of about four per week, at least two of them for the first time. In some 800 programs approximately 2,000 USDA persons have been introduced to on-camera experience on "Across the Fence".

The producers are asked frequently how many people see "Across the Fence" each week nationwide. A few weeks ago WRC-TV asked its audience measurement people in New York to estimate the audience. After a study of each market carrying the program, weighing the time of day it is broadcast, etc., the answer came back--out of a total of 42 million households in the respective markets, the show is reaching between 1,220,000 and 2,460,000 persons.

The mail received indicates that a substantial number of these are serious listeners, rather than casual listeners or juveniles, all of whom are considered worth reaching.

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FROM OUR READERS

Dear Mr. Farley:

In the recent ALIN newsletter in which the November meeting Land-Grant Librarians was announced, you asked for comments on alternatives which agricultural librarians might take in improving participation and communication. I definitely favor the third alternative suggested, that of holding "Agricultural Library Network" meetings annually (with every second or third meeting being held at NAL in order to increase the personal contact between NAL staff members and the "network" librarians).

One additional suggestion might be for NAL to invite representatives/librarians from one foreign agricultural research center each year (AGRIC/FAO, Commonwealth, PUDDOC, Turrialba, CIMMYT, IRRI, and many international centers come to mind immediately).

I would also suggest that the regional location of at least half of the meetings be a matter of policy in order to promote increased participation and greater familiarity with the resources in each area. I have found it particularly helpful in the past to have the U.S.D.A. field librarians included in one day's sessions. If logistics permit this, I strongly recommend running these meetings consecutively so that one day of overlap is possible. And I concur wholeheartedly in involving as many "working" agricultural librarians as possible from all types of libraries.

Projects which I believe an agricultural library network might consider include:

- (1) Union list of land-grant and other agricultural libraries' holdings of serial publications indexed in the Bibliography of Agriculture.
- (2) Updating and expanding Japanese serial publications in the National Agricultural Library to include holdings in other U.S. libraries plus other Japanese agricultural

and biological serial publications [not at NAL] in other U.S. libraries. [It would be helpful to add Korean and Taiwan too.]

- (3) Regional collecting policy statements of involving countries, languages, subject areas (and level of collecting) and any special collections. Projects 1 and 2 might give a start in this direction by identifying strong collections of Japanese serials in each region of the U.S., etc. A general compilation of agricultural programs (degrees and departments) by state would be very useful in connection with these policy statements.

Two relatively simple steps NAL might take immediately to improve communication within the U.S. agricultural libraries would be: (1) to issue (prior to the annual meeting each year) an updated Land-Grant Libraries list, with a list of U.S.D.A. field libraries (and librarians) appended; and (2) to send every land-grant and departmental library an abbreviated NAL directory listing the people in charge in each unit (with phone numbers). Perhaps these publications have already been issued, but it's important to see that they're distributed to departmental libraries and reference departments, which would seem to indicate at least two copies for each land-grant.

The Agricultural Libraries Information Notes is the best thing that's happened to U.S. agricultural libraries in a long time. I hope you'll receive many letters in response to your query about alternatives (and it would be unusual if there isn't a wide difference of opinion). It's wonderful to feel that "somebody cares", and to be encouraged to express our own concerns.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Lois Farrell
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Berkeley

SCIENCE AND LAND-GRANT LIBRARIANS MEETING

November 18 - 19, 1976

Ft. Collins, Colorado

NAL in cooperation with Colorado State University Libraries is sponsoring a meeting of librarians and administrators involved in the life and agricultural sciences.

The meeting is open to directors and reference librarians of land-grant and cooperating institutional libraries, as well as those from other scientific or agricultural college libraries, including horticultural and botanical libraries, research institutions, and private industry.

The program planned for the first day will focus on information and status reports from NAL. The remainder of the first day will include a discussion of AID information programs, a panel discussion on the introduction and administration of on-line retrieval services, and a tour of several agricultural information-related Ft. Collins facilities.

The second day will consist of two concurrent sessions. One will focus attention on the informational and library problems faced by administrators. The second session will be a working mini-session for reference librarians.

The meeting is designed to improve working relationships between science librarians through a discussion of some common problems. For further details contact Wallace C. Olsen, Deputy Director for Library Services, National Agricultural Library, Beltsville, Maryland 20705 (301-344-3834).



AGENCY FIELD LIBRARIANS MEETING

The NAL agency field librarians annual meeting was held Thursday, October 21 at the Library in Beltsville, Maryland. The meeting this year was scheduled during the annual Federal Interagency Field Librarians' Workshop, October 17-22 in Alexandria, Virginia. The staff of NAL met with the field librarians to review the progress made on the recommendations of the Capital Systems Report. The need for a revised *Directory of Agricultural/Biological Resources* was stressed and Wallace C. Olsen, Deputy Director for Library Services agreed that work should begin on a directory in 1976/77. Patricia Condon, Chief, Lending Division reviewed the Document Delivery Program and the impact of the new copyright law on the Program. It was agreed that a "package" on copyright will be prepared for the field librarians. A review of the indexing operations at NAL was presented by Maydelle Stewart of the NAL Indexing staff. Leila Moran, Information Officer reviewed the status of Title 2 of the Administrative Regulations pertaining to the National Agricultural Library currently under revision. The 1972 Guidelines for Agency Field Librarians will be withdrawn and new Guidelines developed based on the revised regulations. Judy Merrill, Liaison Officer with the field librarians spoke on the problem of obtaining translations. Reports were made by Hilary Burton, Agricultural Research Service, and William Mitchell, Forest Service, on their meetings with their respective groups of field librarians. The meeting concluded with a series of tours of various NAL operations.

NEW PUBLICATIONS OF NOTE



Research and Development in the Federal Budget: FY 1977. Willis H. Shapley. Washington, D.C. American Association for the Advancement of Science. \$5.50. Apply to the Association.

Serials Currently Received by the National Agricultural Library, 1975; a Keyword Index. Beltsville, Md. U.S. Dept. of Agriculture,

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National Agricultural Library, June 1976.
1333p. \$15.00. Available from the Superintendent
of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office,
Washington, D.C. 20402. Stock Number
001-002-00076-7.

Serials List with Holdings, Campbell Library.
10th edition, 1976 - 77. Philadelphia, The Academy
of Food Marketing, Saint Joseph's College, 1976.
24 unnumb. p. unpriced. Apply to the Academy
of Food Marketing Library, St. Joseph's College,
54th and City Line Ave., Philadelphia, Pa. 19131.

*Scientific Freedom and Responsibility; a report
of the AAAS Committee on Scientific Freedom
and Responsibility.* John T. Edsall. Washington, D.C.
Association for the Advancement of Science, 1975.
50p. (AAAS miscellaneous publication no. 75-4)
\$3.45. Apply to the Association.

*A Bibliography of Rural Development: Listings
by Topic.* Carrie Parker, Ladewig, and Edward McLean.
Clemson University, Dept. of Agricultural Economics
and Rural Sociology. June 1976. 80 p. (AE 391)
Free. Apply to publisher. Clemson 29631.

AGRICULTURE DATEBOOK



*November 15-18: 1976 BRITISH CROP
PROTECTION CONFERENCE-WEEDS*, Hotel
Metropole, Brighton / England.

*November 15-18: 1976 NATIONAL
AGRICULTURAL OUTLOOK CONFERENCE*,
U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, Washington, D.C.

*November 28-December 2: ENTOMOLOGICAL
SOCIETY OF AMERICA*, Sheraton Waikiki
Hotel, Honolulu, HI. W. P. Murdoch.
Contact: Exec. Secy., Entomological Society
of America, 4603 Calvert Road, College Park,
MD 20740.

*November 28-December 3: CROP SCIENCE
SOCIETY OF AMERICA, SOIL SCIENCE
SOCIETY OF AMERICA, AMERICAN SOCIETY
FOR AGRONOMY*, Houston, Texas.

*December 9-11: 4TH CONGRESO, APECOMA,
ASOCIACION PERUANA DE CONTROLADORES
DE MALEZAS*, Ica / Peru.

*December 14-17: AMERICAN SOCIETY OF
AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING*, Palmer House,
Chicago.

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*January 25-27, 1977: SOUTHEASTERN
BRANCH MEETING, ENTOMOLOGICAL
SOCIETY OF AMERICA*, Francis Marion
Hotel, Charleston, S.C. Contact: S. G. Turnipseed,
Sec.-Treas., Edisto Experiment Sta., Blackville,
S.C. 29817.

*January 31-February 3, 1977. AMERICAN
LIBRARY ASSOCIATION. MID-WINTER
MEETING.* Sheraton-Park Hotel, Washington, D.C.

*February 8-10: ANNUAL MEETING, WEED
SCIENCE SOCIETY OF AMERICA*, Stauffer's
Riverfront Towers, St. Louis, MO / USA.

*February 14-18, 1977: SOCIETY FOR
RANGE MANAGEMENT.* Annual Meeting.
Contact: Dr. M. M. Kothmann, Chairman,
1977 SRM Program Committee, Dept. of
Range Science, Texas A & M University,
College Station, Texas 77843.

*March 7-9, 1977: NATIONAL FEDERATION
OF ABSTRACTING AND INDEXING SERVICES
ANNUAL CONFERENCE.* Stouffers National
Center Hotel, Crystal City, Arlington, Virginia.

*April 17-22, 1977: SOUTHWESTERN
BRANCH MEETING, ENTOMOLOGICAL
SOCIETY OF AMERICA*, Holiday Inn,
Guadalajara, Mexico. Contact: R. L. Harris,
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July 11-17, 1977: 6TH ASIAN PACIFIC WEED
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SCIENCE SOCIETY CONFERENCE,
Jakarta / Indonesia.

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MANAGEMENT SOCIETY ANNUAL MEETING*,
Holiday Inn (downtown), Minneapolis, MN / USA.

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Laverne Davis	Summer Aid	Main.	9/30/76	
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Gail Cherry	Stu. Aid	DC Branch	10/22/76	

PERIPATHTIC STAFF

Leila Moran attended the Farmfest 76 Conference, Mankato, Minnesota, September 12-17 1976.

Charles Bebee attended the Society of American Foresters Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana, October 3-7, 1976.

Leila Moran, Ethel Smith, Richard Farley, Dean Gamble, David Hoyt, Leslie Kulp, Jesse Ostroff, Robyn Frank and Gerald Sophar, attended the ASIS Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California, October 4-10, 1976.

Ronald Walton attended the Association of Computer Managers Conference, Houston, Texas, October 10-22, 1976.

Christine Justin attended Maryland School Food Service Association Convention, Ocean City, Maryland, October 13-15, 1976.

Leila Moran, Richard Farley, Irene Glenmon and Mary Taylor attended the Federal Inter-Agency Field Librarians Workshop, Alexandria, Virginia October 17-22, 1976.

Vern Van Dyke attended the Mini Micro Computer Conference and Exposition, San Francisco, California, October 18-22, 1976.

Bill Thies attended the annual Research Plant Engineers Conference, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, October 18-21, 1976.

Richard Farley attended the ALA Board Meeting, Alexandria, Virginia, October 20-22, 1976.

Robert Butler attended the annual Librarians Microform Conference, Atlanta, Georgia, October 27-29, 1976.

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October 19, 1976

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Meeting of September 21, 1976

REGULAR MINUTES

The regular meeting was held at 10:00 a.m. in room 1402-D chaired by Robert Butler.

PRESENT

Idalia Acosta, Helen Butler, Robert Butler, Betty Daniel, Elizabeth Dolina, Richard Farley, Christopher Harris, David Hoyt, Leslie Kulp, Ruth Pyne, Melody Snare, Sue Wrightson and Carl Younger.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting of August 19 were reviewed and approved.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved.

REPORT OF THE EEO COORDINATOR

No report.

REPORT OF THE SPANISH SPEAKING COORDINATOR

No report.

REPORT OF THE FWP COORDINATOR

No report.

REPORT OF THE EEO COUNSELORS

No report.

REPORT OF THE EEOAC CHAIRMAN

Mr. Butler reported on his attendance at an Executive Group staff meeting on August 24 at which was discussed the EEOAC report of July 26, 1976, reviewing NAL's Narrative Progress Report of July 1 - December 31, 1975 and the NAL EEO Action Plan for Fiscal Year 1976. At the same time Mr. Butler reported on written comments by Glavis Edwards, Director of ARS Personnel and by John Cowherd, EEO Coordinator for ARS, on the same review. Both the notes from the Executive Group meeting and the comments from ARS are filed in the EEOAC notebook.

Mr. Butler indicated that he would be talking with Mr. Sophar on assisting with EEO matters, particularly on preparation of the EEO Action Plan for FY 1977.

In discussing the working of the EEOAC, Dr. Farley commented that members need not feel obliged to stay on the Committee, that too much should not be expected of the Committee, which is working well. He suggested that the Committee identify persons who could profit by Upward Mobility. He made the point that requests for hiring an individual person, as by a name request, are not easy to reconcile with the merit system. However, the adherence of NAL to EEO goals is demonstrated by recent appointments of women to managerial positions, accomplished within the rules of the merit system.

NEW BUSINESS - OLD BUSINESS

No old or new business was brought up.